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GAIL FARBER, Director

February 07, 2012

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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SACHI A. HAMAI EXECUTIVE OFFICER

ADOPT, ADVERTISE, AND AWARD
ROADWAY RECONSTRUCTION AND RESURFACING
GORMAN POST ROAD, ET AL., PHASE 2
IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF
GORMAN AND STEVENSON RANCH
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5)
(3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

This action is to approve the project to reconstruct and resurface roadway pavement on Gorman Post Road, et al., Phase 2, in the unincorporated communities of Gorman and Stevenson Ranch; find the project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act; adopt the plans and specifications; call for bids; and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to award, execute, and implement a consultant services agreement for the preparation of a baseline construction schedule and a storm water pollution prevention plan for a not to exceed fee of \$10,000 and a construction contract with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Find that this project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
- 2. Approve the project and adopt the plans and specifications that are on file in the Construction Division of the Department of Public Works for Gorman Post Road, et al. Phase 2, roadway reconstruction and resurfacing, in the unincorporated communities of Gorman and Stevenson Ranch, at an estimated construction contract cost between \$3,500,000 and \$4,900,000.

- 3. Instruct the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to advertise for bids to be received and opened on March 6, 2012, in accordance with the Instruction Sheet for Publishing Legal Advertisement.
- 4. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute a consultant services agreement with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid to prepare a baseline construction schedule and a storm water pollution prevention plan for a not-to-exceed fee of \$10,000 funded by existing project funds.
- 5. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to award, execute, and implement a construction contract with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid within the estimated cost range, approve the Faithful Performance and Labor and Material Bonds and insurance submitted by the contractor, and deliver the project.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to obtain approval of the project from your Board; adopt the plans and specifications; advertise for bids; and authorize the Director of Public Works (Director) or her designee to award, execute, and implement a consultant services agreement to prepare a baseline construction schedule and a storm water pollution prevention plan for a not-to-exceed fee of \$10,000 funded by existing project funds and a construction contract with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid for the reconstruction and resurfacing of roadway pavement and the performance of other appurtenant work.

The proposed consultant services agreement to prepare a baseline construction schedule and a storm water pollution prevention plan that conforms to the County's specifications is critical to successfully manage construction activities by both the contractor and the County, and a responsible contractor must be able to produce these deliverables. Bid specifications provide that if the apparent lowest bidder fails to complete acceptable deliverables, the Department of Public Works (Public Works) may return to your Board to recommend that the bidder be determined nonresponsible and recommend awarding the construction contract to the next apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid contingent on that bidder completing deliverables that conform to the County's specifications.

The limits of the project are as follows:

- The Old Road from Stevenson Ranch Parkway to Weldon Canyon Road
- Pico Canyon Road from 265 feet west of The Old Road to 368 feet east of Chiquella Lane
- Chiquella Lane from Pico Canyon Road to The Old Road
- Gorman Post Road from 835 feet west of Lancaster Road to Lancaster Road
- Peace Valley Road from 360 feet north of Gorman School Road to Gorman School Road and from 1,850 south of Frazier Mountain Peak Road to Frazier Mountain Peak Road
- Gorman School Road from 620 feet south of Peace Valley Road to Gorman Post Road

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). The recommended actions will help achieve these goals by providing an improved roadway for community residents and the traveling public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated construction contract cost to complete this project is in the range of \$3,500,000 to \$4,900,000. The total project cost is estimated to be \$6,133,700. In addition to the construction contract cost, the total project cost includes the costs of preparation of plans and specifications, consultant services, survey, materials testing, inspection, contract administration, change order contingency, and other County services.

The project is included in the Fifth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2011-12 Measure R Local Return Fund and Road Fund Budgets. We have also received a Tire-Derived Product Grant in the amount of \$22,055, made available by the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) to be used toward construction of rubberized sidewalk.

When the need arises for road improvement services under this contract, financing for the required services will be made from the appropriate fund. Total expenditures for these services; however, will not exceed the contract amount approved by your Board.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

This project, to contract for the reconstruction and resurfacing of roadway pavement, is part of Public Works' ongoing highway construction and maintenance program. It will be advertised in accordance with Section 20392 of the State Public Contract Code.

This project is to be completed in 125 working days. It is estimated the work will start in July 2012 and be completed in January 2013.

Delegating to the Director or her designee the authority to award, execute, and implement this construction contract allows an expedited contracting process to meet the CalRecycle grant funding deadline.

The contract agreement will be in the form previously reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

The award of the contract will not result in unauthorized disclosure of confidential information and will be in full compliance with Federal, State, and County regulations. The project specifications contain provisions requiring the contractor to comply with terms and conditions supporting your Board's ordinances, policies, and programs including, but not limited to: the County of Los Angeles' (County) Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202; the Los Angeles County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; the Los Angeles County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206; and the standard Board-directed

clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

The State Public Contract Code requires the County to award construction contracts to a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid, which is defined as the firm that: (1) submits the bid with the lowest cost; (2) is deemed by the County to be responsive to specific criteria under the solicitation including, but not limited to, licensure, bonding, and insurance requirements; and (3) is determined by the County to be a responsible bidder by exhibiting the capability, capacity, experience, trustworthiness, and financial wherewithal to perform the work required under the bid solicitation.

To ensure that the contract is awarded to a responsible contractor with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, criminal convictions, civil litigation, defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment actions. As provided for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by the contractor will be considered before making a recommendation to award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary for this project and are on file with Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and Class 1, Subsections (x)(2), (x)(9), (x)(14), and (x)(22) of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987. These exemptions provide for the reconstruction of existing sidewalk, drive aprons, curb ramps, and curb and gutter; resurfacing of roadway pavement; and parkway tree planting.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

This project will be contracted on an open-competitive bid basis. The award by the Director or her designee will be made after review of the bids meeting the criteria established by your Board and the State Public Contract Code.

To increase contractor awareness of Public Works' program to contract work out to the private sector, this project will be listed on the County website for upcoming bids.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

When the project is completed, it will have a positive impact by providing an improved roadway for community residents and the traveling public.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Haie Farher

Respectfully submitted,

GAIL FARBER

Director

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c: Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Internal Services Department (Countywide
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